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July 11th, 1919

Colonel Henderson,

Government House,

Ottawa.

Dear Colonel Henderson:

At a meeting of the Senate of the University of Toronto held on Friday evening it was decided to ask His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to accept from the University of Toronto the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws on the occasion of his visit to Toronto in August. We have been informed by the committee in charge of arrangements that provided His Royal Highness is willing to accept the degree it should be conferred on the afternoon of Tuesday, August 26th. May I ask you to lay this matter before His Excellency with our request that he should use his influence with His Royal Highness to accept the degree on that occasion ?

Yours sincerely,

President.

July 14th, 1919

Colonel Henderson,
Government House,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Colonel Henderson:

I am assuming that you are keeping the week beginning November 10th free for His Excellency to open Hart House. Do you think that Tuesday, November 11th, would be a suitable date ?

I have written to General Currie asking him whether he could find it convenient to be present during that week and to receive the honorary degree that the University is to give to him.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SECRETARY CANADA

OTTAWA, 17th July, 1919.

Sir,

In the absence of Colonel Henderson in Western Canada, I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, a copy of which I have transmitted to him.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

F. L. Cerrard

Secretary.

Sir Robert A. Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
President, University of Toronto,
Toronto.

Telephoned Mr Massey about this.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA.

October 21st 1919.

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Dear Sir Robert,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 17th. It seems to have been delayed in transmission as it only reached me this morning.

His Excellency is away from Ottawa, and does not return until this day week. Immediately upon his arrival I will lay your letter before him, in order that he may decide what action should be taken. I have some doubt as to whether His Excellency will be able to carry out his original intention of attending on November 11th, as it would seem possible that it may be necessary for him to go to the port of embarkation to bid farewell to His Royal Highness. This, of course, will depend upon the ultimate decision as to whether the United States is to be visited.

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J.G. Henderson

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(Sgd.) H. G. Henderson

Sir Robert A. Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
President,
University of Toronto.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA.

October 30th 1919.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer,

With further reference to your letter of October 17th I understand that you have this morning discussed the question of the part General Currie is to take in the ceremony, and it has been arranged that at His Excellency's request General Currie will lay the foundation stone of the Memorial Arch and Tower.

Yours sincerely,

J. H. G. Henderson

Sir Robert A. Falconer, K.C.M.G.,
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